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REQUEST **FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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| Application Number | 09/512,268 |
| Filing Date | February 24, 2000 |
| First Named Inventor | MAKIKO MORI, ET AL. |
| Group Art Unit | 2614 |
| Examiner Name | T. Tran |
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| This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider fit continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 1486 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice. | AIPA. | | |
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| 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 | | | |
| a. Previously submitted | | | |
| i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on RECEIVED ii. Consider the amendment(s) referred to above will be entered). Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on SEP 2 3 2003 | | | |
| b. X Enclosed | | | |
| i. Amendment/Reply Technology Center 2600 | | | |
| ii. | | | |
| iv. Other <u>Petition for Extension of Time and a check in the amount of \$410.00</u> . | | | |
| 2. Miscellaneous | | | |
| a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of | | | |
| months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required) | | | |
| b. L Other | } | | |
| 3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed. | | | |
| a. LXJ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. | | | |
| i. X RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 09/17/2003 SFELEKE1 00000034 09512268 | | | |
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| iii. Other | | | |
| b. Check in the amount of \$750.00 is enclosed | | | |
| c. Payment by eredit card (Form PTO-203) enclosed) | | | |
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